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In re application of:

Paul Rudeck Kelly Hurley

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For: METHOD AND STRUCTURE FOR AN **OXIDE LAYER OVERLYING AN** 

**OXIDATION-RESISTANT LAYER** 

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